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SUBJECT: IAEA STAFFING

1. AGENCY HAS ISSUED VACANCY NOTICES 16/78, P-5 POST AS HEAD OF FOOD PRESERVATION SECTION IN JOINT FAO/IAEA DIVISION; 17/78, P-5 POST AS HEAD OF OFFICE OF INTERNAL AUDIT AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES; 18/78, P-5 POST AS HEAD OF DATA PROCESSING DEVELOPMENT SECTION IN DIVISION OF SAFEGUARDS INFORMATION TREATMENT; 19/78, P-4 POST IN DIVISION OF PERSONNEL; 20/78, P-4 POST IN SECTION FOR STANDARDIZATION AND SUPPORT, DEPARTMENT OF SAFEGUARDS; 21/78, P-4 POST IN RADIOLOGICAL SAFETY SECTION OF DIVISION OF NUCLEAR SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION; 22/78, P-3 POST IN NUCLEAR MATERIALS AND FUEL CYCLE SECTION OF DIVISION OF NUCLEAR POWER AND REACTORS; AND 23/78, P-5 POST AS HEAD OF INIS SECTION IN DIVISION OF SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL INFORMATION.

2. MISSION RECOMMENDS U.S. RECRUITMENT OF CANDIDATES FOR
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VN 18/78 (REPLACEMENT FOR GEORGE FARRIS, U.S.), 20/78 (REPLACEMENT FOR RUSTOM SHROFF, INDIA), 21/78 (NEW POST), AND 22/78 (RE-ISSUANCE FOR P-4 POST PREVIOUSLY ADVERTISED AS VN 65/77).

3. RE VN 18/78, STRONGLY RECOMMEND CONTACT ROBERT TANNER, OAK RIDGE, WHO RECENTLY SPENT TWO WEEKS AT AGENCY UNDER

ISPO TASK AND IS THOROUGHLY FAMILIAR WITH SITUATION, INCLUDING INTERESTED CANDIDATES, SHMELEV'S PREFERENCES, ETC.

4. RE VN 20/78, IT IS DIFFICULT TO PREDICT WHETHER OR NOT A U.S. CANDIDATE WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE, BUT WE HAVE BEEN MOST SUCCESSFUL IN PAST IN GETTING MORE U.S. CANDIDATES ACCEPTED WHEN WE NOMINATE CANDIDATES FOR ALL OR MOST SAFEGUARDS VACANCIES. ACCORDINGLY, WE BELIEVE IT IS WORTH A SERIOUS TRY TO GET AN AMERICAN APPOINTED TO THIS POST.

5. RE VN 21/78, DEALING WITH SAFE TRANSPORT REGULATIONS, WE UNDERSTAND ROBERT BARKER, NRC, MAY BE INTERESTED IN BEING NOMINATED FOR THIS POST AND WE HAVE ADVISED HIM TO CONTACT MCCLARY/DOE. SUGGEST FOLLOW UP.

6. RE VN 22/78, WILLIAM MCVEY WAS THE FRONT-RUNNING U.S. CANDIDATE FOR VN 65/77, BUT, DESPITE A RECOMMENDATION OF THE THEN-DIRECTOR OF DIVISION OF NUCLEAR POWER AND RE-ACTORS (POLLIART) TO SELECT MCVEY, DDG ZHELUDEV OVER-RULED POLLIART AND RECOMMENDED A SOVIET CANDIDATE, WHILE AT THE SAME TIME PROPOSING A SHIFT IN FUNCTIONS, IN EFFECT, STRIPPING SOME FUNCTIONS FROM PHIL COLTON'S (U.S.) POST AND GIVING THEM TO THIS POST. THIS LED TO AN INTERNAL AGENCY DISAGREEMENT, COMPLICATED BY THE FACT THAT COLTON WAS IN THE PROCESS OF DECIDING WHETHER OR NOT TO ACCEPT
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A TWO-YEAR EXTENSION OF HIS CONTRACT. THE NET RESULT WAS TO ABANDON ANY EFFORTS TO FILL THE POST ADVERTISED IN VN 65/77 AND INSTEAD TO REDEFINE THE DUTIES AND REISSUE THE VACANCY NOTICE FOR A P-3 LEVEL POST, WHICH HAS BEEN DONE IN VN 22/78. WE BELIEVE MCVEY IS PROBABLY TOO SENIOR FOR A P-3 LEVEL POST, BUT WE THINK THERE IS MERIT IN ATTEMPTING TO RECRUIT ANOTHER CANDIDATE FOR THIS POST. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT, FOR THE FIRST TIME, THE VACANCY NOTICE GIVES EXPLICIT RECOGNITION TO THE NEED TO INCLUDE "ALTERNATIVE TECHNOLOGIES FOR INCREASING PROLIFERATION RESISTANCE" IN THE DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES RELATED TO THE AGENCY'S ACTIVITIES RE THE BACK-END PART OF THE FUEL CYCLE.

7. RE VN 23/78, THIS POST IS TO REPLACE BENIAMINOV (USSR), WHO IS EXPECTED TO LEAVE IN THE NEAR FUTURE. THE SOVIETS HAVE MADE IT QUITE CLEAR THAT THEY INTEND TO REPLACE HIM, AND IN THEIR CHARACTERISTIC MANNER, THEY HAVE EVEN BROUGHT AROUND THEIR PROPOSED REPLACEMENT CANDIDATE TO MEET VARIOUS STAFF MEMBERS IN THE DIVISION. ACCORDINGLY, NO RPT NO RECRUITMENT ACTION IS RECOMMENDED FOR THIS POST. KIRK

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